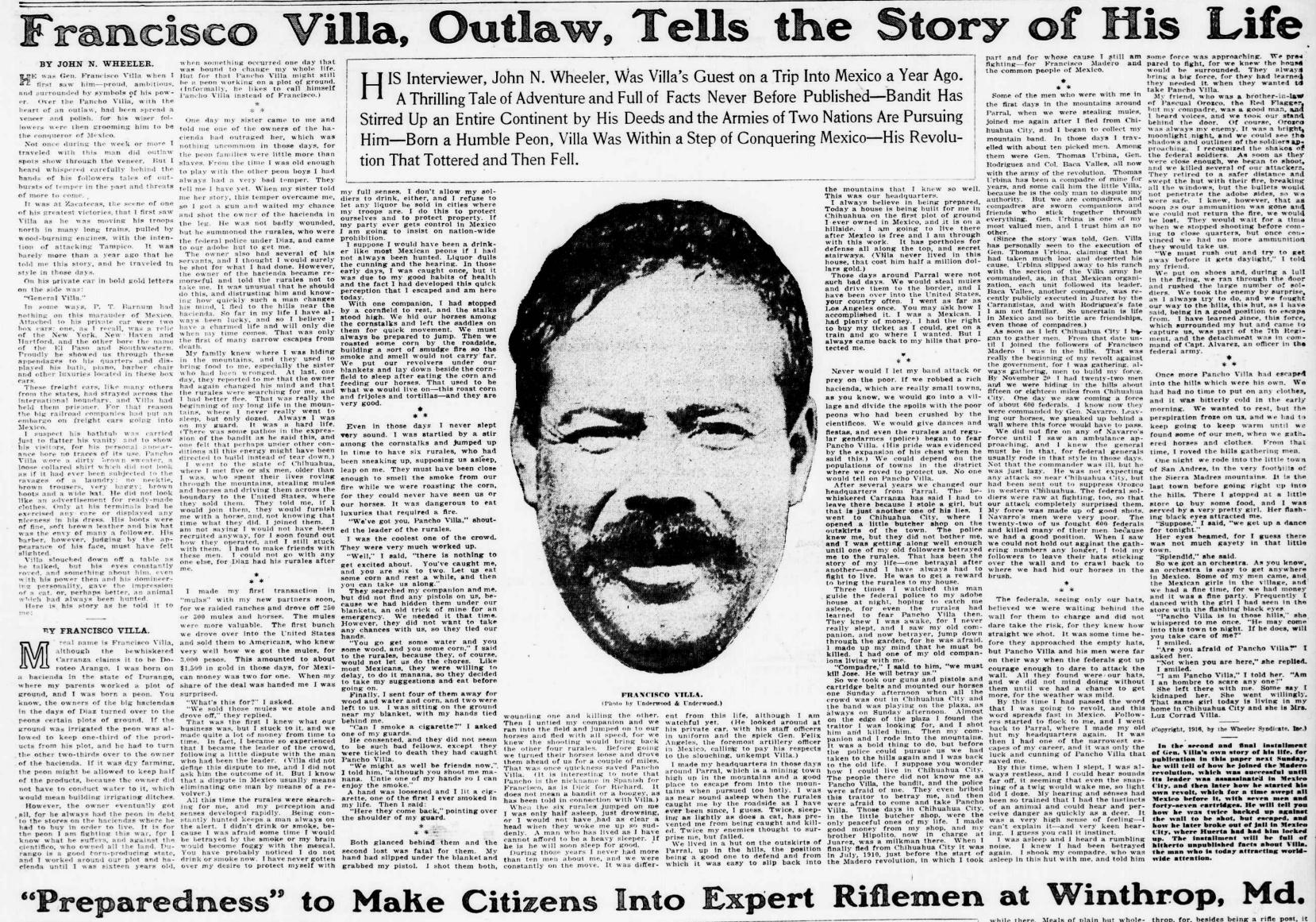
Francisco Villa, Outlaw, Tells the Story of His Life



"Preparedness" to Make Citizens Into Expert Rislemen at Winthrop, Md. while there. Meals of plain but whole- throp, for, besides being a rifle post, some food are provided in the mess is an industrial and agricultural plant. some food are provided in the mess hall." Women as well as men take an interest in rifle shooting at Winthrop, and it will not be unusual to see numbers of women availing themselves of the range next summer. There are several rifle clubs in Washington which number women in their membership, and the awakening interest in war defense among the womanhood of the country may be looked to to result in lessons of practical defense, foremost of which is the knowledge of handling a rifle or a pistol. Several women have

Range Down the Potomac Available to Washingtonians Who Believe in Preparedness—The Work of Capt. W. C. Harllee of the Marine Corps—Prediction That Target

Practice May Become Very Popular During the Coming Summer-The Courses of Train-



SITTING POSITION IN MARKSMAN'S COURSE.

O teach every man how to shoot

The government already possesses a number of rifle ranges in various parts of the United States. To make use of these ranges not only for the training of the men of the army, navy and Marine Corps, but to enable every American citizen to find out how to handle a gun, has appeared feasible to this young captain of the Marine Corps for some years past; and now that he is a member of the national board for the

promotion of rifle practice he hopes

A one-hour trip by rail or two hours by water down the Potomac is Winthrop, the rifle range which is to serve as a model for all other ranges in the country. All through the past

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to put the idea into execution.

is the aim of Capt. W. C. Harllee of the Marine Corps, assistant director of target practice of the navy and in charge of the small arms department of the office.

guns as the enlisted men, and have evinced quite as much skill in qualifying as expert marksmen.

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Six years ago the isolated neck of land now occupied by this unique government post was untenanted except for jackrabbits and crows. It was discovered by Capt. Harllee in one of his scouting trips down the Potomac, and judged excellent material for the purpose he had in mind. Located in a region practically uninhabited, and thus filling the first requisite for a riffe range, which must prepare for flying shots at rare intervals, which may do much damage to nearby dwellers, it was still within convenient distance of a center of population. For the

ing at Winthrop—Free Use of Range—Concerning the Targets.



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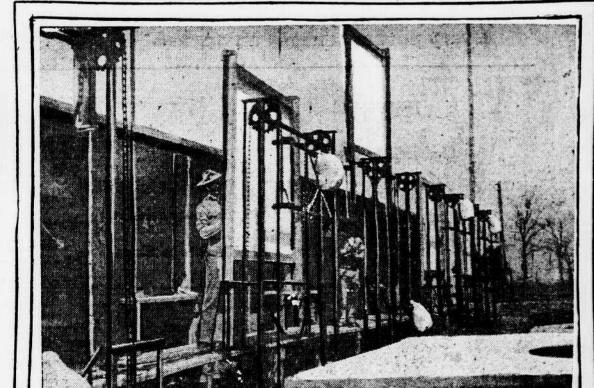
FIRING FROM KNEELING POSITION.

put into the field a body of men who can fire effectively at the foe.

"Marines are merely men," continued Capt. Harliee in vindication of the slogan, "every man a rifleman," "and what marines can do every one can. The system of rifle practice which we have worked out in the Marine Corps is highly intensive. We have no cumbersome routine which requires weeks to accomplish, but small arms practice is reduced to the lowest terms, to the maximum effect with the minimum effort, and it is as practical for an unenlisted as it is for an enlisted man to become proficient in handling rifle, pistol or machine gun."

The drill ,which is given to produce a trained shooter consists of three courses. The first course is the marksman's course. All firing is at 200 yards and the order of firing is slow

to 500 yards, the shots made in the four positions-standing, kneeling, sit-



BEHIND THE TARGET BUTTS.

grands and the order of firing is slow fire, with five shots in each of the four positions—prone, kneeling, squatting, standing—making a total of twenty; inches in diameter, an inner ring thirty-seven inches in diameter, and an outer ring rapid fire from the same positions, and changing position fire, with four strings of five shots each. Out of a possible score of 300 it is necessary to make 210 to qualify.

The next course is the sharpshooter course. All firing is from a rest, the arm, hand or rifle touching a parapet or a post. The ranges vary from 200 to 500 yards, the shots made in the

the Marine Corps, the marines from the battleships and barracks at New York, Washington, Philadelphia and Norfolk, and the blue jackets from the President's yachts, the Mayflower and Precent health lecture in New York: Dolphin, are taught to use their rifles "Vegetarianism suits few people. You at Winthrop. Capt. Harliee does not can make no greater mistake than to permit this to supersede the practice adopt vegetarianism thinking that, as of the citizenry. An afternoon devoted by a miracle, it will bring back youth to coaching a group of aspirants from to the aged and health to the incurably ting and prone—and fifteen shots for each position, five each in slow fire, rapid fire and skirmish fire, successities Capt. Harllee, "We offer the use of the same time complete the daily to the aged and health to the incurably diseased.

"It has been found entirely feasible to make the range serve the public, and states Capt. Harllee, "We offer the use at the same time complete the daily by day.

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